

Meeting with Chief Sloly and Commissioner Lucki

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Vicki- Sloly's scribe

Lucki- touch base with what append with negotiated letter- give updates on things today to happen

Was the letter agreed to etc

Sloly- DMs invoking emergency measures act- it is ongoing negotiation- letter made public. Our designate is Supt Rob Drummond. There to support comms and move this/ when it's going to move. To listen to provide and ask questions. Plan being developed.

Constructive discussions for 2 hours- 5 reps of organizers. Point person for comms with the organizers.

Rob Drummond there. Feedback was that productive. Still don't know if it is going to happen. Best say work I progress- good faith work with the city being done. Operations ongoing. Focused on PLT operations

Getting briefed on Criminal cases- conditions for bail being lined up- taking out 3 of the main organizers. Staffing Numbers going up day over day since staffing numbers- since weekend

Disparity about what was available vs coming in. Confirmation that all officers deployable was deployed to fullest extent possible

Number of people that RCMP counting that were sworn in- available but not deployable.

Good for the 3 of us to get that detail understanding from CARSON- AVAILABLE VS DEPLOYABLE needs to be differentiated.

Lucki- not putting the numbers together- OPS- not combining the numbers- don't talk in terms of that- we have so many people there- for Carson to sort out

Sloly- autonomy- 1 officer on tiktok video- important discussion- forum of daily call- need to explore what military members / our own members – conduct related investigations- OPS have 3 ongoing. 1 seen in around demonstration- 2 others part of the vaccination group – conduct concerning. Have sympathetic members and possibly compromising our own operations. How to plug those leaks – need consistency- add this to the intelligence cycle.

Commissioner C- will have Tracy Dobbin liaise with your PSB lead. Want consistency- how we deal with these things- and messaging consistently. Tracy to reach out to OPS counterpart

Lucki- didn't give briefing to the PM on the plan. Emergency act announcement – strong indicators that will be invoked. To stop the unlawful blockades across the country. PM having meeting with Premiers

as part of the process to move it. Extra powers to utilize to prevent blockades. My legal will quickly create a cheat sheet on what the orders are- plain language / what is the process to invoke it. Tow trucks- critical infrastructure will be part of it- not being able to protest within XXX of infrastructure

It will put pressure on policing in general. Focus will come back to Ottawa. Message back to Carson about capturing the vision and intent. Time to put the comms to that- control the comms- with Trish leading charge on what our mission was and here is what we accomplished today. Bringing it down to that level will change the tones and look at it from operational standpoint.

With emergency measures/ act not going to try to do the comms- let operational people do that. Another tool in our tool box etc. Last time they did this was in 1970 (during FLQ)

Will have to rely on comms from OPS leading it- everything is about OPS succeeding. Ottawa becoming place back to normal. For all police agencies- cheat sheets to go through CACP etc. Report on daily progress/ timelines- taking that pressure away so doesn't intensify and become white noise in the media.

Felt that a lot with Coutts in the media- we always get blamed- change the face of it- to Trish/ Carson – Michael Burns- Rob Bernier- put back to them- will be good- show we are working together. Like the comms that came out. Integrated command center. Making it a brand new day. Better and stronger together.

Sloly- laws haven't changed- can't do trumped up mass arrests. Within the laws and resources we have- integrated resources- I approved that plan in principal last Wednesday. No policy requirement for me to sign off on that. Getting that provincially- I signed off in principal – there is no box for me to sign- just to be clear. Approved in principal with my commanders having ability.

Going to be characterized that I couldn't do this, I will come out swift on that. Expect your support on this.

Commr. - for Windsor we left the messaging to the chief there to do that. From my perspective as provincial police we shouldn't come into any investigation and be the face of it we are there to support the POJ. No interest from us. It would be damaging. If we can't change the narrative on this, makes you vulnerable in the future. Can't look as though trying to come out victorious on this- if we sent a message that WPS couldn't handle this on their own we are highlighting capacity abilities.

Trying hard on our end to ensure that politicians are not speaking about what we are doing.

Sloly- my former boss's comments were inexplicable...

Lucki- saw that on the weekend- called him on it with meeting with the PM- disagree with his analysis. Anything that goes on- OPP/ OPS will not lose jurisdiction. Meeting about how to make things easier. RCMP being able to do bylaws and municipal/ provincial laws- we have to be sworn in to do that. Not there to take over. They told me the emergency does not change authorities. Want to get to where there is long term change to criminal code on things. About us standing together. I cannot control my political narrative. We need to stand strong and not about either of us- OPS/ OPP/ RCMP – it is about making sure people safe in Ottawa.

Sloly- Tom, assuming the negotiation goes through- assuming you have logistics to feed/ shower etc. busses- when this comes together- what does that look like- intelligence; logistics. Feel we could resolve it here if it remained so ambivalent about whether negotiations fail or not.

Staffing piece- before leaving TO, when we sent pp out of province, we come fully prepared to engage. Any charges we turned over to local police to seize evidence/ make arrest/ issue ticket. My understanding is that is the rules of engagement- RCMP have been clear about this- not so clear with OPP getting involved in enforcement. Can we clarify please?

Commissioner- will follow up on that through Deputy Harkins into Carson- for clarity. Good portion of our deployment from ER- no concerns about returning to court. No issues – officers have full authorities to exercise their authorities.

Lucki- ambivalence to moving... all part of the ops plan. Now concerned in how this goes. Rideau / Wellington have trucks- where are they going to- leaving? Parking? going on foot to protests? What is the vision there?

Sloly- intelligence we have is that they have a staging area in farmer's field just on west edge of Ottawa in OPP jurisdiction. Will park vehicles- bus themselves in for demonstrations but truck footprint reduced.

Commr- nothing different – based on announcement yesterday- integrated planning team working on that. Positive move- puts us into day 2- of 4 day window to get people moving. Went from OPS to OPP jurisdiction. Need to get them out of downtown core- positive move.

Sloly- ambivalence not around value of negotiations- have low expectations with high hopes.

Lucki- when talking about doing the emergency act- went to the CACP law- if we could change law what would you do- it came up about travel but go back to how are we going to enforce. In BC they stayed the charges- frustrating.

Commissioner- thoughts on essentially cutting off head of the snake- should we be establishing an informal JFO- OPS, RCMP/ OPP for national picture on who is controlling this- if anything we can lift off that will be provincial/ national picture to alleviate you in Ottawa.

Sloly- 100%. We have 2 Ops centers that have been hugely/ counter surveillance etc. are good. They understand what is coming. Don't know if there are other ops centers that are facilitating. We can cut off 1 head, but will be another location pops up. Get as much a sense of the scale of operations. What can we do to arrest people? Lock places down. Make it difficult for them.

If all attention coming to Ottawa- standing down POU for a rest currently. If going to get serious with large amount of enforcement need to know some POU specific capability available. If going to do anything to level of Windsor- need same capability. Leave to the commanders to think about it. Can't do much with only 100 here other than hold.

Lucki- will fortify a little for us if they do this announcement. Want Parliament hill safe- planners and team has to give us advance notice.

Commr- Tim Skinner tasked with that- Ottawa rep to work with the POU commanders.

Will follow up today – challenges end of day yesterday locking down secure zone. Needed 300 barriers and ran out of operators/ trucks/ bad weather. Bring that to the table for Ottawa. What we learned in Windsor- need knowledge transitioning.

Sloly- had confederation part success but couldn't fence it- can't hold the ground we have taken. Need plan for that and heavy tow trucks.

Lucki- looking at options.

Sloly- support the JFO-

Lucki – get comms at integrated level- so they can send out messages.

Sloly- already doing that – needs to be tighter to get this under control.